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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the species election requirement of November 11, 2005, Applicant hereby provisionally elects with traverse the Examiner's proposed Species I, identified by the Examiner as being drawn to paragraph 0011 of the specification.

The claims reading on Species I identified by the Examiner include at least Claims 1-7.

The requirement to elect a species is traversed for the following reasons. First, it is respectfully urged that the Examiner has improperly required election of species based on paragraphs in the Applicant's Summary of the Invention. Second, it is respectfully urged that a more thorough and complete examination will result if all the pending claims are examined together.

Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to examine the pending claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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